## APPENDIX J TRAIL MAINTENANCE LEVELS



## **Trail Maintenance Levels**

			Level 3
Description	Trails maintained for primitive experience level. Custodial care only	Trails maintained for near-primitive experience level.	Trails maintained for an intermediate experience level.
Maintenance Objectives	Drainage functional and not likely to fail. Trail sides not brushed, but tread is kept passable. Small slides may remain except for erosion potential. Structures maintained as needed.	Tread maintained for public safety. Logs or similar rustic structures may be provided at stream crossings. Drainage same as Level 1.	Tread maintenance for public safety and user convenience. Drainage same as Level 1. Trail sides brushed out to pack stock standards. Structures maintained to original design standards.
Maintenance Frequency	Maintenance frequency of 1-5 years.	Maintenance frequency of 1-3 years.	Annually
Maintenance Activities Performed	Drainage is maintained to prevent damage to adjacent resources	<ul> <li>(1) Limited brushing</li> <li>(2) Logging out</li> <li>(3) Tread maintenance</li> <li>(4) Slide removal and slump repair</li> <li>(5) Drainage structures maintained</li> </ul>	All maintenance activities performed in Levels 1 and 2, plus,  (1) Tread grading and grubbing of protruding rocks and stumps.  (2) Rock removal (loose surface rock).  (3) Spot surfacing.  (4) Surface replacement.  (5) Structure maintenance not deferred.  (6) Back slopes

			Level 3
			maintained.  (7) Slide removal and slump repair to design standards
Inspection Frequency	Condition surveys made every 1-5 years to check for resource damage. If no major resource damage is occurring, no further action is taken.	Condition surveys made once every 2 years to check for resource and trail damage. Unsafe conditions searched for annually.	Condition surveys performed once every 2 years. Maintenance frequency of 1-2 years. Logging out annually.